REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA AND RECORD OF ACTION

August 24, 1999

FROM: KEN A. MILLER, Director

Transportation/Flood Control

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO CONTRACT NO. 96-781 WITH CHINO BASIN WATER

CONSERVATION DISTRICT, ONTARIO AREA

RECOMMENDATION: Acting as the governing body of the Flood Control District, approve Amendment No. 1 to County Agreement No. 96-781 with Chino Basin Water Conservation District (CBWCD) regarding altering the current uses of two basins in the Lower Cucamonga Spreading Grounds, Ontario area.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors approved a twenty (20) year agreement between the CBWCD and District on August 20, 1996 for spreading and conserving water in the Lower Cucamonga Spreading Basins, a series of four basins adjacent to Cucamonga Creek, south of Chino Avenue. The purpose of this agreement was to recharge the Chino underground water basin. Impermeable clay layers have prevented the basins from providing substantial water conservation benefits. CBWCD desires to establish and operate at its sole cost approximately 5 acres of wetland vegetation within Basin No. 3, as a test site to research the desalinization of typical dairy wash water. Wetland vegetation will be planted and used to absorb the high concentration of salts found in dairy wash water. Also, the District desires to establish approximately 1.8 acres of riparian vegetation within the adjacent Basin No. 4, for the purpose of complying with mitigation required by environmental permits for the construction of the Carbon Canyon Creek Channel. Imported soil will be required to insure the survival of the habitat. The CBWCD at its cost will import fill soil to Basin No. 4 for the benefit of the District's revegetation project. The cost of the revegetation work in Basin No. 4 will be paid for by the Flood Control District. The Amendment will allow CBWCD to operate their test project in the District's basin, and will allow CBWCD to import the fill material.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: This item was reviewed by Deputy County Counsel Charles S. Scolastico on June 18, 1999.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact to the District associated with this amendment.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): 4th

PRESENTER: Ken A. Miller

cc: Transportation – Ken Miller Transportation – J. Borcuk Contractor c/o Transportation PSG File Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors

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